



General Assembly

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Raised Bill No. 5645

LCO No. 1761

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Referred to Committee on Public Safety and Security

Introduced by:
(PS)

***AN ACT CREATING AN EXEMPTION FROM PERMIT REQUIREMENTS
FOR PARENT TEACHER ASSOCIATION CONDUCTED BINGO.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) (a) Any parent teacher
2 association or organization may operate and conduct games of bingo,
3 as defined in section 7-169 of the 2008 supplement to the general
4 statutes, for the amusement and recreation of such association's or
5 organization's members and guests without a permit, as required by
6 said section, provided (1) such association or organization registers
7 annually with the Division of Special Revenue and pays an annual
8 registration fee of fifty dollars, (2) such association or organization
9 obtains an identification number from the division, (3) such association
10 or organization charges an admission fee of not more than one dollar,
11 (4) each individual prize of cash or merchandise offered does not
12 exceed twenty dollars in value, and (5) only active members of such
13 association or organization assist in the operation of the games of
14 bingo and assist without compensation. The executive director of the
15 Division of Special Revenue may revoke any such registration for
16 cause. Any registration fees collected in accordance with this

17 subsection shall be remitted to the state.

18 (b) Each such association or organization shall keep accurate records
19 of receipts and disbursements related to such games of bingo, and such
20 records shall be available for inspection by the executive director.

21 (c) Each such association or organization shall be exempt from the
22 requirements of sections 7-169 of the 2008 supplement to the general
23 statutes and 7-169a of the general statutes.

24 (d) The executive director of the Division of Special Revenue, in
25 consultation with the Gaming Policy Board, shall adopt regulations, in
26 accordance with chapter 54 of the general statutes, to implement the
27 provisions of this section in order to prevent fraud and protect the
28 public.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

Statement of Purpose:

To create an exemption from permit requirements for bingo conducted for amusement and recreation purposes by a parent teacher association.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]